

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Priority Application Serial No. ....09/556,064  
Priority Filing Date .....4/21/2000  
Inventor..... Dent et al.  
Applicant ..... Microsoft Corporation  
Attorney's Docket No. ....MS1-426USC1  
Title: A System and Method for Secure Distribution of Information Via Email

**CONTINUATION PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**

To: Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks,  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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1. Transmittal Letter with Certificate of Mailing included.
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3. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (a) (Priority Application)
4. Fee Transmittal
5. Check for \$1390.00 (Payment for Extension)
6. Request for Continuation Application Under 37 C.F.R. 1.53 (b)
7. True copy of the prior application as filed including the specification (49 pages, claims 1-59 & Abstract)

Large Entity Status ☒ [x]

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Date: 12-29-2000

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Priority Filing Date .....4/21/00  
Inventor..... Saliba et al.  
Applicant ..... Microsoft Corporation  
Priority Group Art Unit.....  
Priority Examiner .....  
Attorney's Docket No. ....MS1-426USC1  
Title: A System and Method for Secure Distribution of Information Via Email

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUATION APPLICATION**

**UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)**

To: Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks,  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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This is a request for filing a Continuation application under 37 CFR §1.53(b) of Application Serial No.,09/556,064 which was filed 4/21/00, and is entitled "A System and Method for Secure Distribution of Information Via Email" The prior application was submitted in the names of Saliba et al..

The prior application was a complete application as set forth in 37 CFR §1.51(a). The application papers being filed herewith are a true copy of the prior application as filed including the specification (with claims) and drawings.

No abandonment or termination of proceeding has occurred in the above-identified prior application.

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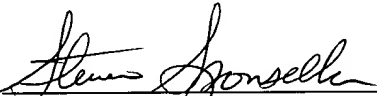
1 The filing date of pending application Serial No. 09/556,064 is hereby  
2 claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120.

3 A previous power of attorney in the prior application is given to Lewis C.  
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**FEE TRANSMITTAL**  
**for FY 2001**

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TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT

(\$)**1390<sup>00</sup>****Complete if Known**

Application Number	09/556,064
Filing Date	4/21/00
First Named Inventor	Saliba
Examiner Name	
Group Art Unit	
Attorney Docket No.	MSJ-426US

**METHOD OF PAYMENT**

1. ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any overpayments to:

Deposit Account Number

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☐ Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

2. ☒ **Payment Enclosed:**

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**FEE CALCULATION****1. BASIC FILING FEE**

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)		
101	710	201	355	Utility filing fee	
106	320	206	160	Design filing fee	
107	490	207	245	Plant filing fee	
108	710	208	355	Reissue filing fee	
114	150	214	75	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)

**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES**

Total Claims		Extra Claims		Fee from below		Fee Paid	
Independent Claims		-20** =		X		=	
Multiple Dependent		-3** =		X		=	

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description
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103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	80	202	40	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	270	204	135	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109	80	209	40	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$)

\*\*or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

**FEE CALCULATION (continued)****3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

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Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)		
105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
116	390	216	195	Extension for reply within second month	
117	890	217	445	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,390	218	695	Extension for reply within fourth month	1390
128	1,890	228	945	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	310	219	155	Notice of Appeal	
120	310	220	155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	270	221	135	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,240	241	620	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,240	242	620	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	440	243	220	Design issue fee	
144	600	244	300	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	123	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
146	710	246	355	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149	710	249	355	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179	710	279	355	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

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SUBTOTAL (3) (\$)**1390<sup>00</sup>****SUBMITTED BY**Name (Print/Type) **Steven R. Sponseller**Registration No. **39,384**  
(Attorney/Agent)**Complete (if applicable)**Telephone **(509) 324-9256**Signature **Steven R. Sponseller**Date **12-29-2000****WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.**

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